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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

So few internet providers provide dedicated internet service at such high quality as Sonic can, because of the 1996 Telecom Act. As a consumer, I feel that big telecom corporations like ATT, DirecTv and Comcast attempted to bully me into purchasing internet at a higher rate unless I chose to also buy their other media services which I had no use for. The 1996 Telecom Act allows providers like Sonic to break through the monopoly these other giants appear to control, and offer even better service (I assume, in the spirit of competition).

Please keep laws in place that make a more competitive and consumer serving market in place. Internet access is a social issue.

Warmly,

Ben Stevens